

# BIG TRAIN SWOOP

DALY CHARGED



DALY ARRIVES AT AYLESBURY

## Comment HEARTBREAK HOUSES

**G**LORIA had lived with her foster-parents for the first six years of her life. Then her real parents insisted on taking her away. A doctor had to give her a sedative before she could be torn from her foster-mother's arms.

**J**EAN, aged 12, had been with her foster-parents ten years when her real mother claimed her. At the age of 16 she walked back into her foster-mother's house and said: "I'm home at last."

**B**ETTY, aged four, had the experience of twice being "snatched"—once by her real parents, once by her foster-parents.

**M**ABEL twice ran away from her real parents to get back "home" to the couple who had always been Mum and Dad to her.

## Happiness

**S**ARAH, aged four, clung to her foster-mother's neck when her real father came to take her home. "I don't want to go. I want to be with you," she sobbed. She was lucky. Though heart-broken, her father put his child's happiness first and allowed her to stay with the only parents she knew.

The names are not real, but the instances are.

Did Mr. HENRY BROOKE have this type of heartbreak come in mind when on Monday he advised parents of an only child to take an unwanted waif into their homes? Obviously not.

"They would find greater happiness for themselves and their child in a bigger family," he said.

The HOME SECRETARY is to be congratulated on his humane attempt to find more homes for the many miserable little human beings who do not have the joy of belonging.

## Hope

**T**HERE is a desperate shortage of foster-parents for something like 50,000 children in need of parental love.

But can we really expect enough of the right sort to come forward when they risk eventual anguish?

It is true that foster-parents are warned before taking a child that its real mother or father may be able to remove it at any time.

But what good does this do when, ten years later, a loving and loved foster-child has entwined itself in a mother's heart?

There can be no question of extinguishing the natural rights of parents. Many of them, over-shadowed by ill luck, live in the hope of getting their children back again.

## Hysteria

**B**UT in all too many cases parents are simply heartless.

It is often the approach of a child's wage-earning age that prompts parental affection back into life.

Whose wishes should have priority? The mother who decides to claim a child after ten years of indifference? Or the child who is usually hysterical, frightened and heartbroken at being snatched from the person she regards as her real mother?

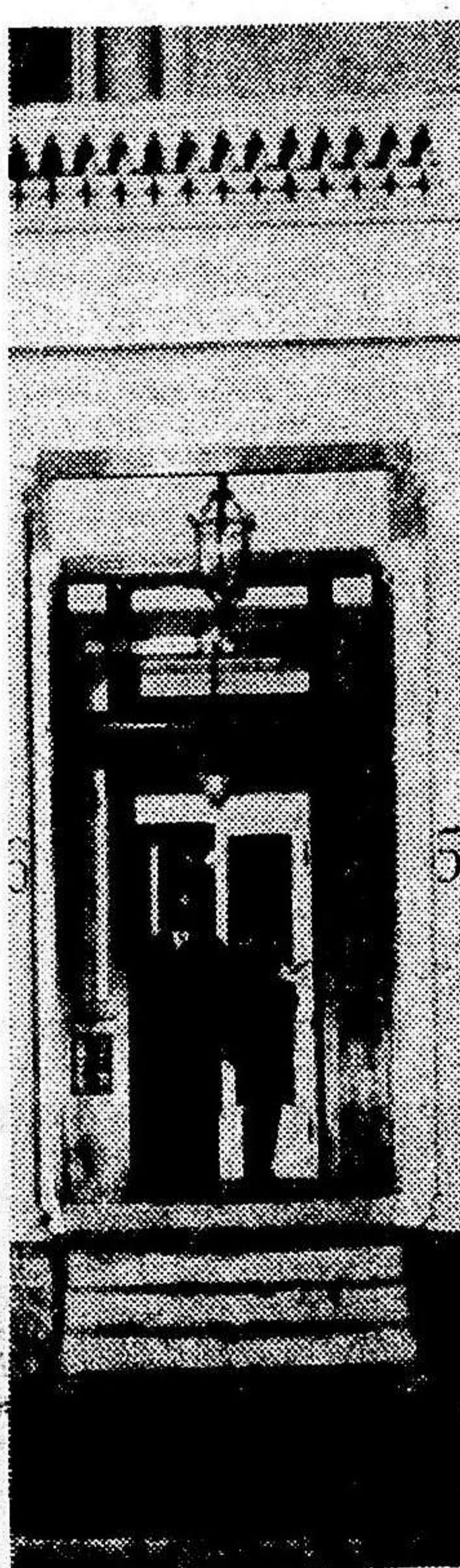
The child's, every time.

In cases like this the courts should award custody after taking the advice of the local authority.

Its decision should be closely related to the number of times the parents have visited or written to the claimed child over the years.

Often poverty is a factor. To overcome this, funds should be made available by the National Assistance authorities to enable regular visits to be made. It would then usually be easy to pick out parents who deserved to have a child back.

## 14 Flying Squad men call at teatime in Belgravia



Entrance to the flats where Daly was arrested

## FREDERIKA CASE DETECTIVE HIT BY LORRY

By ARTHUR TIETJEN

**D**ETECTIVE-SERGEANT Harry Challoner, the policeman who was involved in incidents during the visit of Queen Frederika of Greece, was knocked down by a lorry yesterday.

He had just come from a mental hospital at Coulsdon, Surrey, where he is a patient. He was taken to Redhill Hospital, Surrey, with a fractured pelvis and head injuries.

His wife, Doris, said at her home in Hall Mead-road, Sutton, Surrey, that the injuries were serious. The doctors were not able to say whether he would pull through.

"It appears that Harry had been out for a walk," Sergeant Challoner, 42, of West End Central police station, has been ill since injuries were made about three youths and a man who were arrested for having offensive weapons during the Queen's visit to London in July.

Following inquiries, the Metropolitan Commissioner of Police, Sir Joseph Simpson, paid compensation totalling £1,500 to the three youths and the man.

Sergeant Challoner was captured in the war, tortured and sentenced to death. He escaped and was awarded the Military Medal.

## Captain Heath's gold cup

Captain Heath received a gold cup and £100 in Manchester last night for being Britain's champion tiptoe last flat-racing season. Yesterday he had his seventh winning nap in the past eight days at Nottingham.

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## Lorry kills two

A runaway lorry killed two men in Park-road, Hornsey, N., yesterday. They were John Smyth, 50, of Hornsey, and Edward O'Grady, 55, of Winchmore Hill.

## WALL STREET

**NEW YORK, Tuesday** Wall Street stock market closed easier today in trading which was lighter than in mid-June, and the Dow Jones industrial index was 0.09 lower at 751.82—Agencies.

## By DAVID TINDALL

## JOHN Thomas Daly, wanted for questioning in the Great Train Robbery case, was arrested in London yesterday.

Six carloads of police swooped on a flat in Eaton-square, Belgravia, at 4.15 p.m.

Daly, 31, and his wife, Barbara, 20, are believed to have been using the £30-a-week apartment with a Mrs. Grant since October 12.

The £2,600,000 robbery took place on August 8 near Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.

Daly was taken to Cannon-row police station and then to Aylesbury where he was charged with conspiring to rob and robbery in connection with the train raid. He will appear in court at Linslade today.

## Teatime

Fifteen men and three women on Monday were sent for trial on charges arising from the robbery.

After the robbery police described Daly as clean-shaven and stout. Yesterday he had a long black beard and had lost about two stones in weight.

Detective Chief Superintendent Thomas Butler, head of the Flying Squad, and 13 detectives arrived at the flat, in one of the most fashionable districts of London, when Daly and his wife were having tea. Daly was still in his pyjamas.

The police slipped in quietly after borrowing a pass-key from the caretaker, Mr. Bill Farrow.

After her husband was taken away, Mrs. Daly, who is expecting a child any day—she has a one-year-old daughter, Lorraine—was left with a policewoman.

Then, at 8.40 p.m., her brother dashed into the flat and came out a minute later with two large suitcases.

As he put them in the boot of a car waiting outside, a detective and a youth about 15 helped Mrs. Daly, her head covered by a black coat, into the car.

She, her brother and the youth then drove off to a friend's house.

The Dalys' own house in Burleigh-road, Sutton, Surrey, where they lived until the robbery, was deserted last night.

Back in Eaton-square 62-year-old Mr. Farrow glanced at a wanted list issued by the Metropolitan Police and told me:

"The couple who took over this flat in October were Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Grant. Another young woman who was expecting a baby was also living there.

"Mrs. Grant's name is on the door, but she said her husband was in hospital after a heart attack. She often took groceries to him."

The one-bedroom flat had few callers since October. The phone—BEL 1319—rarely rang.



MRS. DALY

Mrs. Grant asked Mr. Farrow, who lives next door, to give two short knocks whenever he wanted her to see him.

The Farrow said they had seen only two men visit the flat. They did not know their names.

Mr. Farrow said: "About the cheeks and eyes, one of them looked like Bruce Reynolds." (Another suspect in the case.)

The Dalys had some distinguished neighbours in the Belgravia block of flats—including the Hon. Greville Howard, Tory M.P. for St. Ives, and his wife, and Mr. Philip Dunn, a Canadian steel magnate.

The previous tenant of the Dalys' apartment was Peter Quennell, the author.

Police are still looking for four other major suspects in the case.

They are: Ronald "Buster" Edwards, a Cockney club owner; Roy John James, a London-born silversmith, known as the Weasel, who is also a racing-car driver; James Edward White, a London cafe proprietor; and Reynolds, a London cafe owner.

## More at work

There were 101,000 more people in civil employment in mid-October than in mid-June, although a total of 18,000 lost their jobs between mid-September and mid-October, the Labour Ministry said yesterday.



Mrs. Daly, coat over her head, leaves the flat last night with police to stay with friends

PICTURE BY JOHN TWINE

# Brighter Tory hopes

By WALTER TERRY: Daily Mail Political Correspondent

**T**HE Conservatives will hold Sudbury and Woodbridge in the by-election this week.

And the drop in their share of the vote may be much less than in previous contests this year.

This is the prediction of a survey by National Opinion Polls Ltd., a few days before polling takes place tomorrow.

The question was: At the forthcoming by-election, which party do you think you will be voting for?

The answer (eliminating undecideds):

Conservative	47.7	p.c.
Labour	37.5	
Liberal	14.8	

At the General Election, voting percentages were:

Conservative	53
Labour	33
Liberal	14

On these figures, the Tory percentage will drop by 3.9 p.c., Labour's share will increase by 4.5 and the Liberals by 0.8 p.c.

It may be premature for the Conservatives to be excited at a new trend, but at least the poll prediction indicates that the drop in the Tory percentage is not so heavy as before.

In the Luton by-election early last month—the two subsequent Scottish by-elections do not provide full or fair comparison—the Tory drop was 15.6 p.c., the Labour increase was 3.1, with the Liberals collecting most of the other lost Conservative votes.

The Sudbury forecast shows a good swing still to Labour—enough to form a Government if repeated nationally—but a result not nearly so bad for the

## Danger sign for pay policy

By KEITH McDOWALL Daily Mail Industrial Correspondent

**T**HE whole of the Government's pay policy—vital to controlling the present boom—was in danger last night.

Almost overnight the 3½ p.c. figure fixed by the Treasury as the "guiding light" on income has become 5 p.c.

Shipbuilding employers made an interim offer of 8s. (4 p.c.) and adjourned negotiations until December 17. But there are strong indications that they will follow the engineers' lead then of 5 p.c.

The Government acted last night in one of the few spheres of industry in which it has direct influence.

It asked Dr. Beeching, chairman of the Railways Board, for facts on two key questions before he meets the rail unions on December 13, when a 5 p.c. to 6 p.c. rise is tipped.

## Alarmed

Mr. Ernest Marples, Transport Minister, has been told to ask: What exactly has been the productivity rate on the railways for the past year, and what effect would a pay rise have on fares policy?

Although Dr. Beeching has sound answers on both questions, and is in fairly close contact with Mr. Marples, the Government is becoming alarmed at the trend.

It fears that the engineers and railwaymen combined, both claiming up rises of 5 p.c. to 6 p.c., will make it very hard for any employer to hold to the "guiding light."

Any repercussions on fares would not improve Government chances in marginal areas like Orpington in the coming election.

The issue is delicate because Dr. Beeching is just beginning to show some results of his pruning policy and a dispute with him might spoil an improving situation.

## Tied

The shipbuilders' 8s. a week interim offer is tied at the moment to a condition that the unions make a concession on flexibility between different tasks in the yards. But this seems unlikely to get far.

Bollemakers' secretary Mr. Ted Hill, who led yesterday's union team, made it clear he would not accept any "strings."

The only deal he offered was a phased introduction of the 40-hour week over the next two years. If that was agreed, he would accept the 8s. he said.

If not, the shipyard workers want the 10s. 6d. rise granted last week to engineering workers, with whom they always keep pace.

Shipbuilding employers asked for time to think over Mr. Hill's offer, but they are not likely to accept for that would give a lever for a 40-hour week demand to engineering.

So a 10s. 6d. rise — 5 p.c. again—seems virtually certain when talks are resumed on December 17.

Meanwhile the engineering employers added another £30 million to their wage bill last night by granting 12s. 6d. to 10s. 6d. rises to their 500,000 white-collar workers. Women will get 10s.

## Rise for the Services

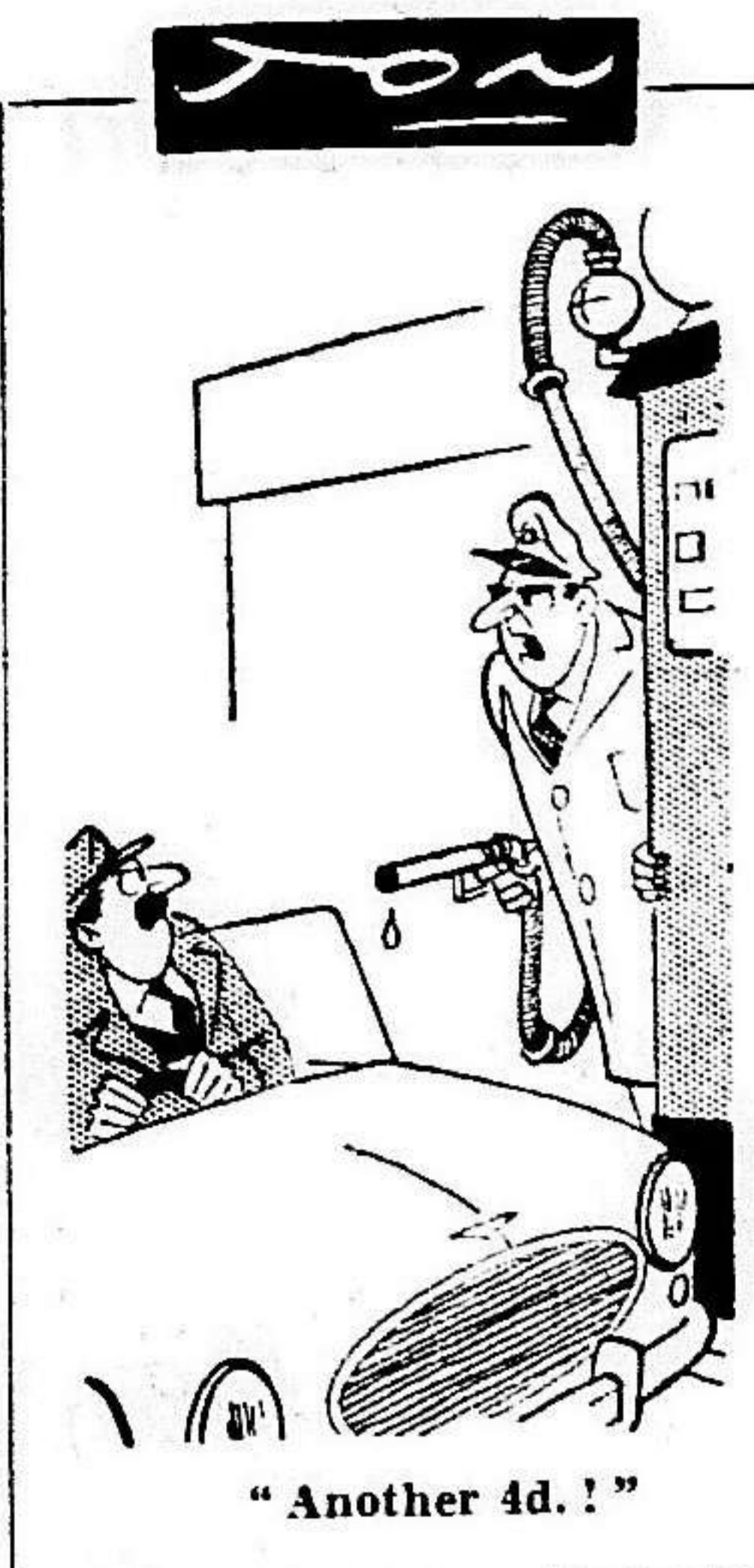
By STEVENSON PUGH Daily Mail Defence Correspondent

**O**FFICERS and men in Britain's three Services can expect a rise on April 1.

A committee of Treasury and Service Ministry representatives has agreed in principle that increases must be given.

The amount has not been settled but it is understood it is unlikely to be less than the increase granted in April last year, when other ranks got 9½ p.c. and officers 5 p.c.

Other ranks may, in fact, get more this time. It has been recommended particularly by recruiting experts, that the biggest rise should go to entrants in junior ranks to encourage recruiting and because Servicemen, like the rest of the population are marrying younger.



## Lord Hambleton says: My wife and I are parting

From JOHN MOSSMAN

**P**ARIS, Tuesday. VISCOUNT HAMBLETON, a director of W. H. Smith and Son, the booksellers, said in Paris tonight that he has decided to separate from his Italian wife.

The announcement followed reports that he had disappeared from his home in London.

Lord Hambleton, who has five sons, married Donna Maria Carmela Altolico di Adelfia, daughter of a former Italian Ambassador in Berlin, in 1954.

He said the decision was taken in a conversation with his wife a month ago. He was now staying in Paris for a few weeks on a business trip, but he intended to return to London to spend Christmas with his children.

Lord Hambleton declined to comment on reports of his



LADY HAMBLETON

friendship with a 24-year-old Italian woman, Madame Arabella la Cloche.

Madame la Cloche's mother-in-law, Countess Nathalie Volpi de Misurata, said at her Paris home: "I know nothing about these rumours except from a report in an Italian newspaper."

"I do not know where my son is and I have not seen my daughter-in-law since last year."

Lord Hambleton, 33-year-old millionaire, used to be a member of the Princess Margaret set. She has stayed at his Henley home as a family guest.

## Petrol may go up 4d

By RICHARD HERD

**P**ETROL may go up between 2d. and 4d. a gallon in the New Year.

Mr. John Oldaker, secretary of the Motor Agents' Association, which represents 85 p.c. of the garages, said yesterday: "We cannot see anything to stop it."

If a garage was to get a fair margin of profit the present profit should be increased by 2d. or 3d. a gallon, he said.

"And if trading stamps become widespread, then the cost will have to be increased by 3d. or 4d."

The association is putting pressure on petrol companies to allow the bigger profit.

"They have told us that any increase would have to be borne by motorists," Mr. Oldaker said.

The Motor Agents' Association is against trading stamps. It is urging suppliers to ban the use of them with their products, seeking support for a parliamentary Bill and urging a Government inquiry.

Mr. Allen Cheek sales director of Green Shield Stamps, said last night: "There is no need for an additional increase on top of the 2d. or 3d. which the association is already claiming."

"The cost of stamps is paid for out of increased turnover. We hope trading stamps are not going to be made the excuse for excessive price increases."

A spokesman for Shell Mex and B.P. said: "The dealer's margin has been under consideration. It is impossible to say at this

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## LATE NEWS

## ACTOR DIES

Victor Riettl, the Italian-born actor, director and translator, died in Hammer-smith Hospital after a heart attack. He was 75.

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